

**REMARKS**

By this amendment, claims 31, 37, 91, 92, 98, 113 and 126 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 1-20, 23-30, 34, 35, 38-90, 93-97, 101-112, 116-122, 124, 125 and 127-129 are pending in this application. Reconsideration and prompt allowance of the pending claims are respectfully requested.

**Rejected claims**

In the Advisory Action, the Examiner maintains the rejection to claims 31, 37, 91, 92, 98, 113 and 126 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Claims 31, 37, 91, 92, 98, 113 and 126 have been canceled. The rejection is now moot.

**Allawable subject matter**

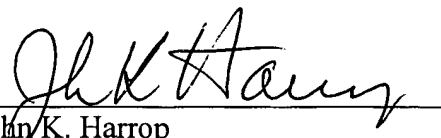
The Examiner has allowed claims 1-20, 23-30, 34, 35, 38-90, 93-97, 101-112, 116-122, 124, 125 and 127-129.

In view of the foregoing remarks, favorable reconsideration of all pending claims is requested. Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance and requests that a notice of allowance be issued. Should the Examiner believe that anything further is required to expedite the prosecution of this application or further clarify the issues, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,  
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